

HOTHERSALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held at The Bungalow, Hothersall Lodge

Date & time of Meeting: Monday 11th March 2019 at 6pm

Present: Hothersall Councillors:

Forrester (Chair)
Gale
Bateman
Warren
Parry
Gee
Thompson

In attendance: Ribble Valley Councillor Jim Rogerson, two residents
& Ribchester Parish Clerk Mrs Deb Groves.

1. **Apologies for absence** - none
2. **Declarations of Interest** - none
3. **Public Participation** – none
4. **The Minutes of the Meeting** held on Mon 10th Dec 2018 were confirmed as a true record and signed by Chairman Ian Forrester
5. **Matters Arising:**

Councillor Bateman is stepping down from the Parish Council at AGM in May 2019, resident Mrs Lorraine Soper may be willing to stand.

Broadband update from Cllr Gee. BT Openreach has started to lay cables down the lane to the boundary of Preston telephone numbers. Work appears to have stopped, this may be due to the fact that poles are ready for replacing - this is a separate contractor. Cllr Gee will try to find out more from BT Openreach. Cllr Gee reported that her own broadband has been very slow and even unavailable in the past two weeks. She will also make contact with B4RN for latest progress installing in the areas surrounding Hothersall.

Parish Clerk vacancy after Parish Assembly in May 2019 Cllr Forrester advised the meeting that Ribchester Clerk – Mrs Deb Groves is interested in the Hothersall vacancy. The Council were in agreement that Hothersall PC should make a formal offer to Ms Groves.

AGM and Annual Assembly Tuesday 7 May 2019 7pm The Pavilion, Hothersall Lodge

Hothersall PC AGM will be held at start.

Clerk has booked a speaker Mr Roy Rigby from Bowland Pennine Mountain Rescue Team.

Clerk to invite guests: RVBC Cllrs Rogerson & Smith, RVBC Mayor & Mrs Mabel Armitage.

Also invite 2 guests from Hothersall Lodge Outdoor Centre.

Cllr Thompson to organise drinks as usual

Parish Councillors to provide usual refreshments. Any donations for refreshments surplus to expenses will be given to Bowland Pennine Mountain Rescue Team

6. **Correspondence:**

LCC Household Waste recycling centres consultation 2019 – consultation closes 25 March 2019. Cllr Forrester will complete and return on behalf of the council.

Cllr Rogerson suggested that fly tipping could become more prevalent should this facility be reduced and Hothersall Lane could be susceptible to this owing to its location.

7. **Committee Reports:**

*** Parish Councils' Liaison Committee 31/01/19**

Attended by Cllr Forrester

- Police & Crime Commissioner for Lancs Clive Grunshaw spoke to the meeting about his role; also details of a forthcoming Social Action Network to encourage community organisations to get involved as a networking platform.
- Forthcoming borough & parish elections will be on 2 May 2019. Links to nomination packs to be available.
- Defibrillators ** – the meeting was reminded that any defibrillators in the parishes needed to be properly maintained.

Cllr Gee has agreed to attend the next PC Liaison meeting on 04/04/19 6.30pm RVBC Town Hall.

** Cllr Warren advised that he understands there is a defibrillator at Hothersall Lodge Outdoor Centre. Cllr Thompson suggested the councillors may benefit from advice on the location and use of this in a local emergency. Clerk to find out more from Caroline at Hothersall Lodge.

8. **Planning:**

The Woodlands 3/2018/0467, Hothersall Lane – approved with conditions 13/12/18
Greenlands, Ribchester Road 3/2018/0648 - approved with conditions 18/09/18
Eatoughs Barn, Ribchester 3/2018/0447 – appeal lodged
Far Granham House Barn 3/2018/0891 approved with conditions 28/11/18
Fell View Cottage, Hothersall Lane 3/2018/1104 - approved with conditions 29/01/19
Higher College Farm, Lower Road – 21 Dwellings 3/2018/1105 – registered. (Hothersall PC responded 16/01/19)

9. **Finance:**

- Bank balance is £1836.56
- Clerk's expenses for financial year 2018-2019 were checked and approved for payment by Chairman Cllr Ian Forrester.
- Clerk to sort paperwork with Lloyds Bank for removal of Cllr Bateman as signatory, addition of one other (to be confirmed) and change of administrator after AGM in May 2019.

10. **Any Other Business:**

Parish Council elections May 2019 – Cllr Gee advised of a briefing meeting for councillors / candidates to be held on Tuesday 19 March at RVBC Offices 6pm. Cllrs Gee, Gale & clerk Cathy Thompson to attend and possibly resident Mrs Lorraine Soper

Hothersall postbox removal. Resident Robert Fox found postbox in disrepair. It has since been removed. Council agreed we should request replacement. Cllr Forrester to prepare a letter.

Spring Newsletter Cllr Gale agreed to put together a newsletter including details of the Annual Meeting & annual litter pick.

Any Other Business (Continued) :

Annual litter pick. Saturday 6th April 10.30am to meet at the car park of The Corporation Arms. Cllr Bateman to get OK from The Corporation Arms. Cllr Gale will enquire of RVBC whether litter picking tools and bags are available this year.

Parish Walk 2019 Cllr Parry offered to co-ordinate an autumn parish walk for a Saturday in September 2019.

Retirement of RVBC Ward Cllr Dave Smith in May 2019. The meeting agreed that a suitable thank you gift should be organised to give to Cllr Smith at the Annual Meeting 7 May 2019. Clerk to sort.

HED/DPD – additional housing sites consultation. Sites in Clitheroe, Langho & Read. No further discussion required by Hothersall PC.

Cllr Forrester asked Cllr Rogerson to clarify the New Homes Bonus Scheme (NHB) as showing in RVBC revenue budget

the public meeting closed at 7.15 pm, councillors remained to finalise the details of the job offer for Hothersall Parish Clerk.

Next Meeting - AGM & Annual Assembly to be held on Tuesday 7th May 2019 at 7.00pm in The Pavilion Hothersall Lodge.

Confirmed as a true record: Chairman..... Date.....

Clerk.....Date.....

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